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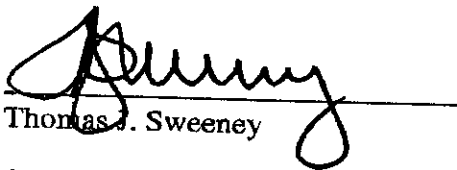
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June 30, 2004

Honorable Rya W. Zobel
U.S. District Court for the District of Massachusetts
John Joseph Moakley U.S. Courthouse; 5th floor
1 Courthouse Way
Boston, MA 02210

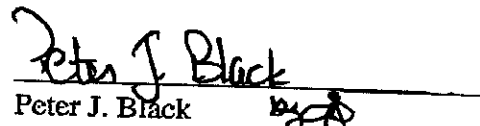
Dear Judge Zobel:

This letter is being submitted on behalf of both parties in response to your request for a status report on settlement discussions as of today's date. We completed the depositions of Jennifer Harris (driver) and Catherine Harris (plaintiff) yesterday in Boston. Based on the information developed in these depositions, counsel for General Motors requires additional time to have the facts and technical issues examined by expert witnesses - most likely in the areas of biomechanics, injury causation, and restraint system design. Although Plaintiff's counsel has made a demand that he has indicated is negotiable, counsel for General Motors is not in a position to make a recommendation to his client concerning an appropriate value for this case for settlement purposes until this technical analysis has been completed. The parties suggest that a second status report be submitted to the Court in 90 days or at some time that suites the convenience of the Court.



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Lisa Urso, Clerk for the Honorable Rya Zobel
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RE: Catherine Harris v. General Motors Corporation
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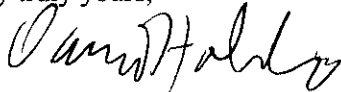
Washington, D.C.

Dear Ms. Urso:

Enclosed please find a copy of the joint status letter regarding settlement discussions in the above-referenced matter. An original will be delivered to the Courthouse forthwith.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Very truly yours,



David B. Hobbie

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Enclosure

cc: *Melissa Lightcap Cianfrini, Esq. (with enclosure)*
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